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Public Works Department Engineering Division

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## **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS**

13<sup>th</sup> Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements City of Tempe Project No. 6000401

Happy Holidays and greetings from the City of Tempe Engineering Division. Here is a quick update on progress thus far and an outline for upcoming construction.

The contractor, Archon Inc., has completed all the curb, gutter, and sidewalk replacement from Hardy Drive to Mill Avenue, on the north and south sides of 13<sup>th</sup> Street, except for a small piece from Ash Avenue to Mill Avenue on the south side. Replacement of a water line in this area will begin on December 15<sup>th</sup> and will continue through January. Removal and replacement of curb, gutter and sidewalk in this area will follow the completion of the waterline work. A similar flagging operation used during the previous sidewalk replacement will be set up for traffic control.

While the waterline project is ongoing, Archon, Inc. will temporarily replace the asphalt pavement between the new curb and the existing roadway from Hardy Drive to Mill Avenue. The street will then be cleaned and traffic barricades will be removed.

As discussed in the previous update, the City has decided to remove and replace the old asphalt pavement from Hardy Drive to Mill Avenue. After being notified of the pavement replacement Southwest Gas notified the City that a major gas line currently located in the roadway will need to be relocated prior to paving due to its age and depth. Southwest Gas will lower the line from Hardy Drive to Roosevelt Street and reroute the line from Roosevelt Street to Mill Avenue to new locations along 13<sup>th</sup> Street and adjacent streets. Due to the long lead time for the pipe and construction crew availability, Southwest Gas has stated that it may take up to 7 months before they can begin relocation of the gas line. Southwest Gas will manage the gas line relocation work and traffic control during construction to keep two lanes of traffic open. Once the gas lines are relocated, Archon, Inc. will remobilize their crews, remove the existing asphalt pavement and repave.

Thank you again for your cooperation during this challenging, but essential project. We hope you will enjoy the new sidewalk improvements while the remainder of the work continues. If you have questions please contact:

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